

## Message Text

PAGE 01 NATO 03619 311959Z

72

ACTION EUR-25

INFO OCT-01 ADP-00 SS-15 CIAE-00 PM-07 INR-10 L-03 NEA-10

NSAE-00 PA-03 RSC-01 PRS-01 USIA-15 TRSE-00 MBFR-03

SAJ-01 NSC-10 RSR-01 /106 W

----- 102147

R 311900Z JUL 73

FM USMISSION NATO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1021

SECDEF WASHDC

INFO USCINCEUR

USNMR SHAPE

USLOSACLANT

AMEMBASSY ANKARA

AMEMBASSY ATHENS

AMEMBASSY BONN

AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS

AMEMBASSY COPENHAGEN

AMEMBASSY LISBON

AMEMBASSY LONDON

AMEMBASSY LUXEMBOURG

AMEMBASSY OSLO

AMEMBASSY OTTAWA

AMEMBASSY ROME

AMEMBASSY THE HAGUE

CONFIDENTIAL USNATO 3619

E.O. 11652: GDS, 12-31-79

TAGS: MCAP, NATO

SUBJ: COUNTRY REPLIES DPQ(73)

1. COUNTRY REPLIES TO DEFENSE PLANNING QUESTIONNAIRE DPQ(73) CONTAINING NATIONAL FORCE PLANS FOR 1974-78 PERIOD ARE NOW BEGINNING TO BE RECEIVED BY USNATO. COUNTRY REPLIES, AS SOON AS AVAILABLE, WILL BE POUCHED TO DEPARTMENTS AND EMBASSIES. WE PROPOSE TO AGAIN MAKE INITIAL ANALYSIS OF EACH COUNTRY REPLY AND CABLE REPORTS TO WASHINGTON AND INFO CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 NATO 03619 311959Z

ADDRESSEES CONCERNED.

2. ANALYSIS WILL COVER SUCH POINTS AS IMPORTANT CHANGES FROM DPQ(72), DEVIATION FROM FORCE COMMITMENT UNDERTAKEN FOR

1973, COMPARISON OF FORCE PLANS WITH FORCE GOALS FOR 1974 TO 1978 PERIOD, AND COMMENTS ON MEASURES BEING TAKEN TO IMPLEMENT AD-70 RECOMMENDED FORCE IMPROVEMENTS (SUCH AS THOSE SINGLED OUT BY SECRETARY SCHLESINGER: ANTI-ARMOR, AIRCRAFT SHELTERS, AND STOCKS) AND NATIONAL FACTORS LIMITING DEFENSE EFFORTS. TO THE EXTENT THAT TIME AND DATA PERMIT, WE WILL INCLUDE ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL ASSESSMENTS, PARTICULARLY KEYED TO FEASIBILITY OF SUPPORTING PROPOSED FORCE LEVELS, EQUIPMENT BUYS, MODERNIZATION, ETC. AND POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS.

3. WE WILL ALSO IDENTIFY TENTATIVE USNATO POSITIONS AND DRAFT QUESTIONS FOR USE DURING NATO'S FALL MULTILATERAL REVIEW OF COUNTRY FORCE PLANS. ONCE AGAIN THIS YEAR WHEN COUNTRY REPLIES ARE POUCED TO EMBASSIES, WE WILL BE ASKING BY SEPARATE MESSAGE FOR EMBASSY COMMENTS AND IN PARTICULAR FOR SUGGESTED QUESTIONS FOR USE IN NATO'S MULTILATERAL EXAMINATION SESSION.

4. IN PAST YEARS, WE HAVE FOUND EMBASSY COUNTRY TEAM VIEWS VERY USEFUL INPUTS AND/OR ADDITIONS TO USNATO REVIEW EFFORTS.  
RUMSFELD

CONFIDENTIAL

<< END OF DOCUMENT >>

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptoning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 02 APR 1999  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** n/a  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 31 JUL 1973  
**Decaption Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Decaption Note:**  
**Disposition Action:** RELEASED  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Authority:** garlanwa  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Date:** 28 MAY 2004  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1973NATO03619  
**Document Source:** ADS  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** n/a  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** 11652 GDS, 12-31-79  
**Errors:** n/a  
**Film Number:** n/a  
**From:** NATO  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1973/newtext/t19730767/abqcebjs.tel  
**Line Count:** 79  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE  
**Office:** n/a  
**Original Classification:** CONFIDENTIAL  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 2  
**Previous Channel Indicators:**  
**Previous Classification:** CONFIDENTIAL  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Reference:** n/a  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Authority:** garlanwa  
**Review Comment:** n/a  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 31 JUL 2001  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review History:** RELEASED <31-Jul-2001 by shawdg>; APPROVED <12-Sep-2001 by garlanwa>  
**Review Markings:**

Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
30 JUN 2005

**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Referrals:** n/a  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** COUNTRY REPLIES DPQ(73)  
**TAGS:** MCAP, NATO  
**To:** STATE  
SECDEF INFO USCINCEUR  
USNMR SHAPE  
USLOSACLANT  
ANKARA  
ATHENS  
BONN

BRUSSELS  
COPENHAGEN  
LISBON  
LONDON  
LUXEMBOURG  
OSLO  
OTTAWA  
ROME  
THE HAGUE

Type: TE

Markings: Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005